

Performing Arts Center Board Minutes 04/14/2010

SIMSBURY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER BOARD REGULAR Meeting APRIL 14, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

Greg Piecuch called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. In addition to Mr. Piecuch, Board members Janet Goman, Sharon Lawson and Ken Mason were present. Also in attendance was David C. Bell, Venue Manager, and Gerry Toner, Director of Parks & Recreation.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mrs. Goman moved to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2010 special meeting. Ms. Lawson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

III. ATC REPORT ON 2009-2010 PLAN

Mr. Bell presented an oral report. The proposed July 1 concert will not be going forward. This date has been returned to the Symphony for their use. Mr. Bell has discussed co-promoting another show with Ms. Phillips. Mr. Bell stated that the Town has been in contact with Don Vaccarro concerning possible dates. Mr. Bell has also been in contact with MassConcerts and Dan Hinks from Infinity. Other local individuals have also contacted Mr. Bell.

IV. DISCUSSION OF 2010 SUMMER PROGRAMMING OPTIONS

Mr. Toner confirmed that the 2010 Parks & Recreation series will be held at the Performing Arts Center. Mr. Mason and Mrs. Goman presented some ideas concerning smaller artists that could possibly be brought to the facility and promoted by the Town. There was a discussion concerning the Town's ability to recoup its costs in the event that the Town acted as a promoter. Mr. Bell will make contact with some artists and will forward a proposal to the Board.

V. RECOMMENDATIO OF A PLAN OF ACTION

Pending Mr. Bell's further report as described above, no action was taken.

VI. GOVERNANCE AND PLANNING UPDATE

The Board members discussed the effect that the lack of a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization is having on the possibility of underwriting some performances with funds donated from the local corporate community. Some Board members inquired as to why this organization had not yet been set up. Reference was made to an email suggesting that Mr. DeCrescenzo had recently been given the go-ahead to draft the papers. Mr. Mason agreed to follow up with the First Selectman regarding this issue. No further action was taken.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Goman moved to adjourn at 8:26 p.m. Ms. Lawson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Piecuch', with a large, sweeping flourish over the top.

Gregory W. Piecuch
Vice-Chairman